

District Judge John H. Chun

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

SANJEEV KUMAR, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
HOMELAND SECURITY, *et al.*,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:22-cv-1523-JHC

STIPULATED MOTION  
TO HOLD CASE IN ABEYANCE  
AND ORDER

NOTED FOR CONSIDERATION:  
March 17, 2023

The parties, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to stay the proceedings until April 7, 2023. Plaintiffs are foreign nationals who bring this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act and the Mandamus Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (“USCIS”) to adjudicate their I-485 applications, as well as any derivative applications. Dkt. No. 1. Defendants have yet to answer the Complaint. Good cause exists to stay the litigation until March 20, 2023.

Courts have “broad discretion” to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). “[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for

counsel, and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 1.

USCIS has adjudicated all thirteen Plaintiffs’ applications. Plaintiffs agree to voluntarily dismiss this case once the final Plaintiff receives their lawful permanent resident card. To give adequate time for the card to arrive, the parties stipulate and jointly request that the Court stay this case until April 7, 2023. On or before April 7, 2023, the parties will submit either a status report or a stipulated motion for dismissal.

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1 DATED this 17th day of March, 2023.

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**ORDER**

The Parties having so stipulated and agreed, the Court hereby ORDERS that this litigation be stayed until April 7, 2023. The parties shall submit either a joint status report or a stipulated motion for dismissal on or before April 7, 2023.

Dated this 17th day of March, 2023.

  
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JOHN H. CHUN  
United States District Judge